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MS PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): HONJO, Shintaro; IIDA, Kozo; OKADA, Kenichi; TAKEUCHI, Yasuhiro and TABATA, Masanori

For: EXHAUST GAS TREATMENT METHOD, EXHAUST GAS TREATMENT SYSTEM, AND CATALYTIC OXIDATION APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Forty-seven (47) pages
- Twelve (12) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

Applicant does not claim priority

Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 2003-139212 filed in JAPAN on May 16, 2003.

Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.

Certified copy(ies) will follow.

Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow

Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76

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Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)

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Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee

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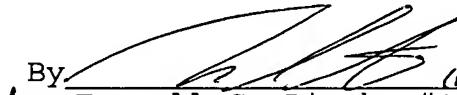
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- A check in the amount of \$806.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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